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from the
PRESIDENT'S DESK



Frank Brazzell, 53 So. 20th. St., Terre Haute, IN.47803

Convention Time Again. Just had a talk with Ruthann Brettell at ANA headquarters on the 14th of June and our T.E.C. Board Meeting is set for Thursday, Aug. 10th at 9:30 A.M. in room South 3. This meeting should last no longer than a half hour. The General Meeting is set for Thursday, Aug. 10th at 10:00 A.M. in Room South-11. This is just a half hour later than the Board meeting. There was a conflict of time on some meetings but this schedule is the same as we had last year. Hope to see many of you at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center for these meetings. I want to thank the officers for the help in getting things set up for this years show. I also want to thank all the officers for help over the past two years while I was president. We haven't had much for the Board of Directors to do but still we had good one's to call on in case of problems. All the people who sent in articles for the Newsletter, I want you to know they were appreciated. I hope you give our new Editor as much help as you have me. Do to my health I have been trying to slow down some. After asking for help on the Newsletter the first of the year I had talks with a couple people but seems a lot of people just don't have the time to get into something that takes so much time to do. Was glad to get Jim Singleton, P.O. Box 41, Hugheston, W.VA. 25110. If you have articles for next Newsletter please send them to him. I have 3 or so left over this time so will get together with Jim at the ANA and turn over the articles and other items for the Newsletter. Speaking of the meeting, if you have anything you want to donate for the club auction, please send to Ray Dillard or if you are coming to the meeting you can drop it off at the TEC Table or bring it to the meeting and we will auction it off and add the monies to the club treasury. Thanks!

Ballots are enclosed for TEC Election. Please fill out and mail in! Envelope if addressed. Instructions are very simple. Cast your yote. Just finished the TEC Badges for this year, only 100 made. If you haven't ordered one better send your money in or drop a note to Ray if you want to pick it up and pay for it at the meeting. He will put your name on one. These should sell out quick as they are very attractive and limited mintage. It is good to see so many members taking an interest in helping the club. The hobby should get stronger yet in years to come. If you attend the ANA and have a little time to help out at the TEC table, stop by. Glad to have your help.

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Picture of 1989
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Photos sent in with articles or ads must be sent to us already screened for printing, as our budget does not allow for this screening process. Sharp and clear newspaper photos can be used as these have already been screened for printing, and if they are not too large. Derogatory articles will not be printed.

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Advertising rates will remain the same for the present until a further study is made. Only camera ready ads will be accepted until further notice.

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DEADLINE NOTICE

DEADLINE DATES FOR NEXT ISSUE

Deadline for articles and ads is Sept. 15, 1989 Send at once if you can.

Notes, Comments and Ramblings by the Secretary

The Convention is coming! The Convention is coming! I am looking forward to seeing old friends and making new ones in Pittsburgh. It should be no surprise to anyone about who designed the ANA convention coin. I mis-spelled Pittsburgh all the way through my last TEC news article. Well, it was politely called to our attention by a couple of alert readers and Frank Brazzell quickly came to my rescue. A new die was made. Now we have two coins to sell. Slightly over 200 coins were rolled before the error was discovered. They will be sold to members that want them (1st come, 1st served) at the same price as the corrected coin.

Another mistake was made also. It seems as though I can't count either. I said that a 6 coin set of the convention coin was available (1¢, 5¢, 10¢, 25¢, 50¢,) Count the denominations and you will find that it is only 5-coin set. I did get the price right though. The cents are available for 50¢ each plus a SASE and the 5-coin sets are available for \$6.00 at set plus \$1.00 postage. These can be ordered by mail from the Secretary or picked up at the Convention in Pittsburgh where they will be rolled at the TEC Booth. Conventioneers of course will save the postage. Hope we see you there.

Regardless of my stupid mistakes, I am proud of my involvement with the coin project and expect it to be a huge success at the convention.

At this time we have 321 members in good standing but we still have 112 who have not paid their dues for 1989. These 112 will not get this copy of TEC News. Hopefully this will shock many of them into paying up.

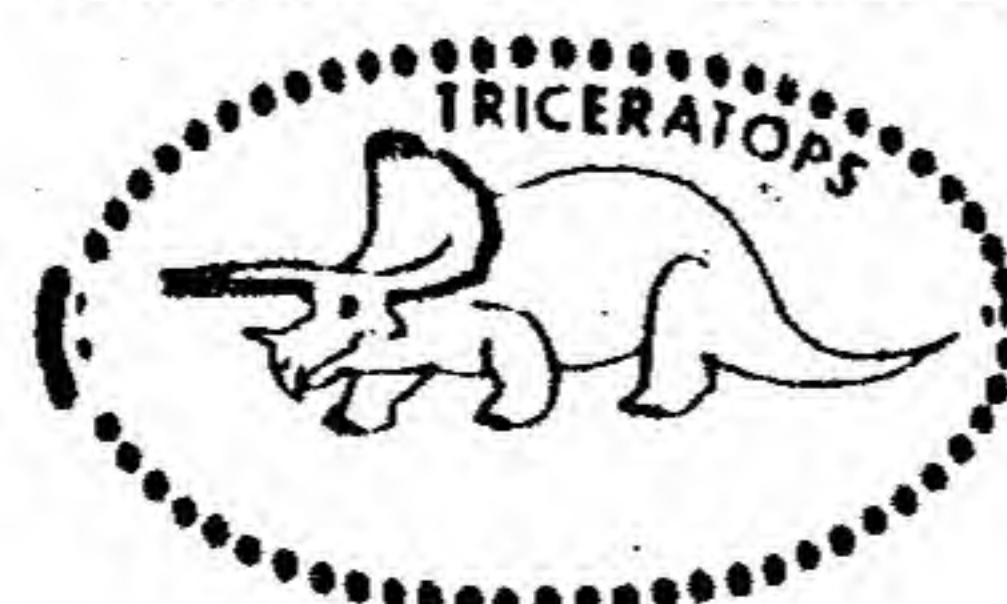
Orders for the regular issue of Convention Badges are running slow (only 44) ordered so far. This may be due to having so many other convention coins for sale but regardless of the reason, this could be another low year mintage and could drive the price up in the after market. Some badges are selling for \$30 to \$35 for past years when available. There is still time to order so don't miss out. It is my understanding they will be rolled from the same die used to roll the Enameled Silver Badges which were a quick sell out.

At the present time, the most important thing facing our organization is the coming election. We are sorry that Frank Brazzell has decided not to run for another term for President. He has been a big asset to TEC and to the hobby as a whole since first getting involved. He has been super active since he joined TEC in 1977. Hopefully, relinquishing his responsibilities as president and editor will allow him to concentrate on other related activities.

I was flattered that he nominated me to succeed him and if elected I will do my best to fill his shoes, even though he outweighs me considerably. He will not be allowed to completely fade away because as the immediate Past President, he will automatically have a seat on the Board of Governors. Believe me, if he doesn't speak out he will be consulted frequently.

Showing that he has the best interest of TEC at heart, Frank help pick his successor as Editor. If elected as President, I will be pleased to work with Jim Singleton as our new Editor. Those of you that attended the 1988 convention in Cincinnati will remember Jim as a comparatively young fellow from Hugheston, W.VA. where his concern and participation in TEC activities was very impressive. I have had correspondence and a long phone conversation with him and believe me he has some new ideas that will benefit the publication of TEC news.

I am pleased to announce that Ginnie Aldridge has agreed to continue as our historian. Both Historian and editor are appointed positions. Brief biographies on candidates for each elected office are included in this issue of TEC News. After reading them carefully I am sure that you will agree that we have a fine group of well qualified and dedicated people that are willing to serve our organization. A Ballot is also included with this Newsletter. I personally solicit your vote of confidence and suggest that each of the other candidates are worthy of your support. It is difficult to get people to volunteer to serve two year terms. This is an outstanding group of volunteers.



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Notes, Comments and Ramblings by the Secretary

Because of the volume of other business I will cut my rambling short for this issue. If elected as your next President one of the things that I promise to do is to concentrate on gathering records on information that is important to our hobby, such as: who were the Designers, engravers and rollers of TEC related coins (Badges, Award, and Membership coins in particular) Plus the quantities produced. It is surprising how difficult it is to find such information. Further, what are the identifying marks of current designers, engravers and rollers along with those of recent past years. The names of active rollers; also the names and addresses of active engravers and manufacturers of items related to our hobby. Gathering such information will require the cooperation and input from old and new members alike and when the projects are begun I will accept help from any place I can get it.

Lowell Lundberg reports that his wife Beverly was hospitalized in April, in critical condition but in his words "She defied all odds and came back fighting". This is a devoted couple and we are glad to hear that she has survived another serious bout with her chronic problems. Barbara Izzo fell and hurt her bad leg but apparently is recovering because she is making plans to be in Pittsburgh for the convention. James Davisson reports that he had three cancer related deaths in his family during a three month period. He didn't specify the relationship but this had to be extremely shocking and upsetting to his entire family. Jim, our sympathy is extended to you. Walter Malzahn (age 70 Plus) reports being in the hospital for the second time in 44 years. He didn't say what his problem was but he did say he hoped it was his last time. Walt, I hope you stay well for another 44 years. Sally Kirka wrote me from her hospital bed in May. She didn't say what was wrong but does plan to be at the convention. This is at least her second hospital stay this year. When we see her in Pittsburgh she can tell us all about it. Don and Gin Wilkinson have been super active promoting Elongated coins again during the last quarter. Among other things he has had several letters to the editor published and an outstanding article in Numismatic News, Pictures and all and was instrumental in getting Numismatic News to have an Elongated coin made for give aways. It would be nice to have more couples like them. Maybe they are on the way, they have signed up many friends and relatives recently as new members. Don, I want to offer one word of advice though- watch out for Ruby Threlkeld at the convention! Bert Samsa is another promoter of distinction. He now has branches in Alaska, California and Washington. The quality of his work is legendary. More on the convention, if you are planning to be there, check the program and don't miss the club meetings. Also, stop by the club booth. Convention Badges and coin sets that have been ordered in advance will be available for pick up. Further, we will be rolling the official ANA Convention Coin and expect to be the center of activity on the club midway. We will not be difficult to find. Stop by: make yourself known; join in on the fun and activity; offer to help out, if only for a short time, some of our regulars will need relief.

Last minute reminder! We need more items for the club auction that follows our membership meeting. If you have something to donate and can't send it, bring it along. We will be glad to get it and work it in. All proceeds go to the TEC treasury. The feature item in the auction will be the 1989 Silver Enameled TEC Badge. Only 28 were produced and they were a sell out. This is the only one available. We already have a starting bid of \$30 on this item.

I am planning to exhibit my Elongated Coins on Masonic Presidents again. It has received local and state prizes and even "Best of Show" from the Michigan Token and medal Society at the MSNS Spring Convention, but nothing at Cincinnati, so I am going to bring it again to Pittsburgh. I sure would like to see other Elongated displays. I feel pretty much alone out there. Come on, let's show that we are proud of our hobby. Enough for now. Don't forget to VOTE! Hope to see you in Pittsburgh.

Your Free Elongated this issue donated by Charles G. Warnstedt, Chicago, IL.

Nominated For President Of T.E.C.

Raymond Dillard, Fenton, Michigan

I am certainly proud to be a Candidate for the office of President. I do not deny that I had such aspirations but feel that the opportunity has come much sooner than expected. I am 64 years old and have been married for 45 years. I retired from General Motors Central Office in 1981 as a Cost Control administrator. I have collected coins since 1968 and joined TEC in 1981. I have been a designer, roller, part time dealer and full time collector of elongated coins since that time. (I contend that I have one of the top 20 collections in the country) I enjoy exhibiting and have won local, state and national awards. I was elected Secretary of TEC in 1985 and was re-elected in 1987. For my performance I received awards from both President Rogers and President Brazzell for "Outstanding and Dedicated Service", TEC has been on the move for the last four years! If elected I pledge to continue to put forth my best efforts. With support of the membership and cooperation with your other elected officials, I have no doubt that we can maintain the momentum established by Chester Rogers and Frank Brazzell.

Nominated for Vice President of T.E.C. "Gus" C.J. Meccarello Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

I am proud to be a candidate for Vice President of TEC. I have been a collector of elongateds since childhood. I helped my dad roll elongated coins when I was just able to pull the long handle of the machine without standing on a box. I have The Elongated Coin Museum with over 20,000 Elongateds that were rolled up to the 1960's. I have been treasurer of TEC for the past 2 years. I hold TEC membership #40. I except the nomination for vice President and if elected I will do my best to uphold the tradition of the past Vice President and work to make T.E.C. better and stronger in the hobby. Thank you for your vote.

NOMINATED FOR TREASURER

DON A. WILKINSON, METAIRIE, LOUISIANA, TEC #1079

I am 62 years old, retired in 1988 after 41 years of military and Federal Civil Service. I resumed coin collecting in a serious way in 1980 and became enthralled with elongated coins a couple of years later. Gin, my wife of 38 years, is my partner and helpmate and a TEC member as well.

Both my wife and I are active members of the Crescent City Coin Club (New Orleans, LA). I have served as Program Chairman, Vice President, and am the most recent past President.

I would be honored to serve as the TEC Treasurer. My wife will, as usual, be an active supporter and she too is ready to serve.

IMOGEN "GINNIE" WILKINSON, TEC 1322 Nominated for Secretary

I am pleased to have been nominated for TEC Secretary and promise I will give these responsibilities the necessary time to do the job well. I have five children all grown and gone with our seventh and eighth grandchildren to be born this year. I have been "putting hubby through" for 38 years and have the experience and skills to do the TEC secretary job.

I have been active with many organizations, ladies, civic and volunteer services for many years and have held most of the chairs. I am presently an active member of Crescent City Coin Club (New Orleans). I would be proud to serve as the TEC Secretary.

Nominated for Board Of Directors of T.E.C. Ginnie Aldridge TEC #222

Once again I am honored to be nominated for the Board of Directors of TEC. Have been a District Delegate for the American Numismatic Association since 1981 and past president of DWMC. I have served TEC as Vice President, Historian and on the Board of Directors and work at the club table at ANA conventions and consider all to be a labor of love. In September I will have completed my two year term as President of the Virginia Numismatic Association. If elected by the membership, I will continue to be a dedicated worker for our great organization.

Nominated for Board Of Directors of T.E.C. Tom Armstrong TEC #638

I have attended every meeting of TEC since becoming a member. Have served on the Board of Directors as well as Vice President of TEC and would appreciate your vote for another term on the board.

I am an active member of Tennessee State Numismatic Society and Blue Ridge Numismatic Association, presently serving on board of Governors of both organizations. Member of ANA, and many other coin clubs, both local and state. Attend ANA, local, regional and many major shows. Have exhibited for many years and have actively encouraged the young numismatists in my area. I was presented the Numismatic News Ambassador Award in 1986. Thank you for your vote.

Nominated for Board of Directors of T.E.C. Russ Sears

In the early to mid-1960's I was a professional Numismatist. Presently, I am a mortgage banker working with builders, developers, realtors, and the public for the purpose of making loans on residential real estate.

I started collecting tokens 10 years ago. Within a few years, I added medals and elongateds to my collecting interests. While my specialty in tokens and medals is Baltimore, my elongateds are from all over the country. I also seriously collect MD. stock certificates and Baltimore trade cards as well as any historical collectible which interests me. Included in my background of experience and responsibilities in exnumia include: #1. Governor- Civil War Token Society, #2. V.P. of MD. TAMS, #3. President of MD. TAMS. #4 Speaker on exnumia for several coin clubs in Maryland plus MD-TAMS and the ANA. #5. exhibit in the Baltimore area and received first place awards for elongateds in addition to general exnumia subjects. My goal in collecting is to assemble as complete as possible collection of little pieces of history. There is much to be learned and enjoyed by trying to find out the story behind each item. Thank you for your vote.

Nominated for Board of Directors-Ms. Reva M. Kline, Camillus, N.Y.

I have lived all my life in Upstate New York. I recently retired from Marine Midland Bank of Syracuse, N.Y. after 25 years of service.

I am divorced and have one child, Patricia Kline-Walker and a Granddaughter Melissa. They are both coin collectors.

In 1974, President Nixon appointed me to the Assay Commission. I am now a member of OTAC and have been an officer. I was the first woman to join the Cayuga Country Coin Club in Auburn, N.Y. and I am a Past President.

I am the Past President and current president of Syracuse Numismatic Assoc. We give each member an elongated cent each year. I am the founder and past president and current president of Mismatic Coin Club of Syracuse.

I have been an officer of Empire State Numismatic Assoc. which is our State group.

I have collected elongated coins for many years. I have displayed them many times and have given talks about them.

If you would like to have me on the Board of Directors I would appreciate your vote. Thank you.

Welcome to TEC

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ENLONGATED COINS FROM HISTORICAL CALIFORNIA GOLD COUNTRY

1. Sonora, Ca.-Gold Prospector
2. Sonora, Ca.-Red Church
3. Columbia, Ca.-Wells Fargo Building
4. Columbia, Ca.-Stage Coach
5. Jamestown, Ca.-Gold Prospector
6. Jamestown, Ca.-Sierra Railroad,
Engine #3
7. Twain Harte, Ca.-A Beautiful
Place to Live
8. Oakdale, Ca.-Bucking Horse, Cowboy
Capital of the World
9. Yosemite National Park -El Capitan
10. Yosemite Nation Park -Upper Yosemite
Falls

MISC.:

11. I Love You
12. Lords Prayer

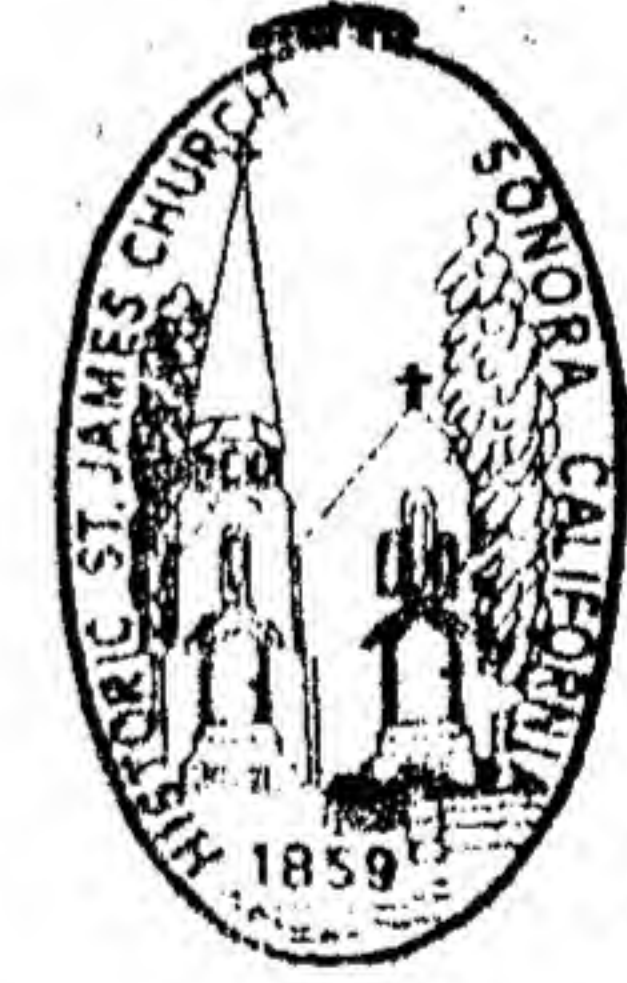
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John Westmoreland 10886 Race Track Road
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Dear Fellow Club Members, I promised Frank about two years ago that I would help him out and write an article for the newsletter and this will have to be it, seeing as how it is his last issue. I guess a little history is in order, so here goes.

I bought my first penny machine for \$5,000.00 from Universal Amusements in Nevada, after seeing a machine in Gatlinburg, Tn. Took delivery in Jan 1980 just in time for the 1980 Winter Olympics in Lake Placid. Made good money but the machine wore out in those two weeks. I sent it back with a note explaining what was wrong, but only the side gears were replaced. It was then that I decided to get into making my own machines. Someone at Lake Placid told me about T.E.C. and gave me Ginnie Aldridge's name and I joined in 1980. Due to negligence on my part I missed a year or two by forgetting to send in my dues. Right now I am member #1040, which is quite appropriate as "Penny Pinching" is my business.

I got in touch with Chester Rogers and he did a couple of 1980 New York State Fair dies which I rolled at the fair. I then got in touch with Adam Cool and he made all of my dies until he passed away. I haven't got the exact number of dies that he made for me but it is a considerable amount. I promise to write again and give a more detailed accounting of the number of machines that I have put together (about 30), as well as the list of dies by date. This is in answer to Ray Dillard's request "where are all the die-makers?" Before Adam passed away, he had offered to teach me to make dies and I kick myself each time I think of the opportunity that I let get away. Anyway the gist of the story is that I did get to learn to engrave my own dies from Frank and by attending an engraving school in Arkansas. So now I make my own machines and do the die-work.

The reason that you haven't heard from me before is due to the nature of my business. You see, I am a professional roller. I work in my home town of Panama City Beach, Fl. during the summer months and travel doing state fairs during the fall and winter. Sometimes I am gone for two months at a time and I am just terrible at answering mail. I owe an apology to Doug Fairbanks for not answering his letters, it just seems that I get pulled in so many directions that time gets squandered and mail gets last priority. I don't know how Frank gets everything done that he does and I will be forever grateful to him for what he has taught me about die-making.

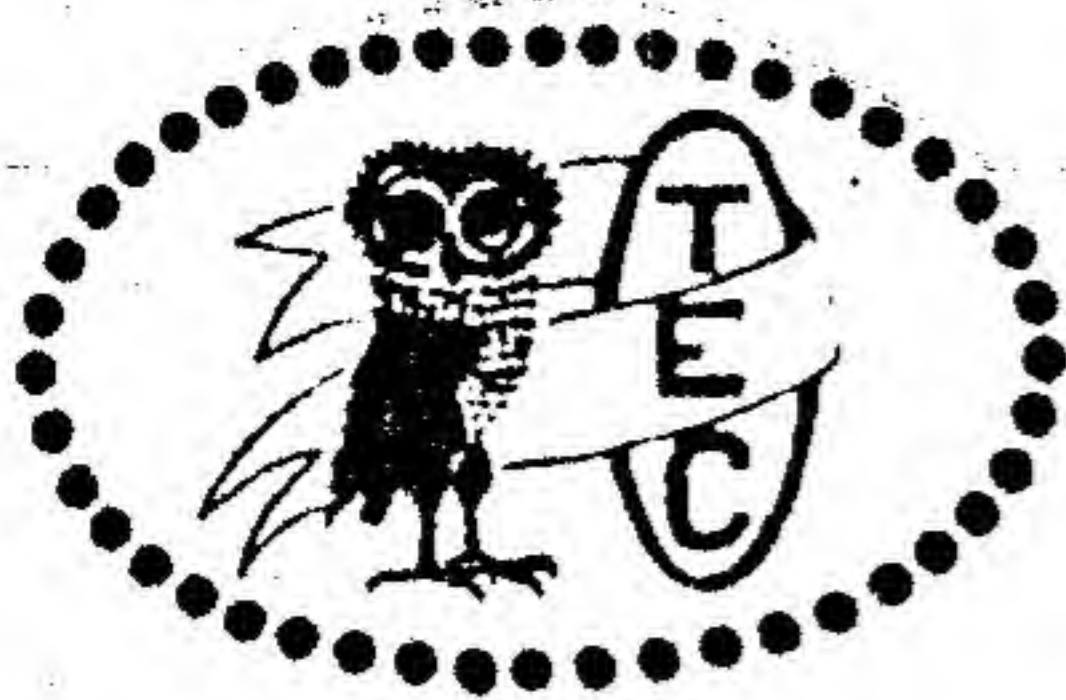
For those of you that don't know what is involved in die-making, take it from me, you are getting a bargain for what Frank is charging versus the time that he puts in and the trouble he goes through. I charge \$75 to cut a die and consider that cheap for what is involved.

I realize that to the club members who are into elongateds as a hobby, that I might sound a little crazy when I say \$75 is cheap. I am just looking at it from a different point of view. I pay anywhere from \$300 to \$800 to get a location at the fairs. Add the cost of food, gas, and lodging in and the cost of a die seems small. Even if you just have a die made to sell a few coins, each coin costs about 10 -15 cents each and you sell them for 50 cents you are tripling your money. If you trade them for other coins to add to your collection it is still a reasonable cost.

The machine I sell is designed specifically for someone wanting to go into the business of being a roller full time. I was a leather craftsman before I did this and take a great deal of pride in what I do. I spare no expense in making my units and use only the best of materials. I build my columns and bases out of stainless steel and the whole machine is fully equipped and ready to make money when it arrives. I furnish signs, punch, necklaces, everything. Almost all of my machines were sold to people that I have met at the fairs that I do. I also have the biggest pricetag: \$5,500.

Well I hope this gets the ball rolling (pardon the pun) and some of the other rollers and die-makers will sit down and let us all hear from you. I would be happy to take on the job of listing the rollers and die-makers who want to be known if you will send me the info on yourself or if you know of someone who is doing it or a location where it is currently being done. We can get this job done with a little help, how about it?

Jim Dundon 4211 Catherine St. Panama City Beach Fl. 32408 904 234 0267

John G. Spadone
TEC #TEC OWL

I received a letter from Don Wilkinson seeking information about the TEC Owl, we can share with readers. We had 12 members when the club started, 116 charter members and over 300 members at the end of 1967. Some collectors in this group, that are still around can supply any additional information.

(TEC News-Vol 2-1) I believe that the owl was Dottie Dows' idea and she mentions that Norman C. Mixon, brother of Ben Mixon, Dottie's engraver, drew the big eye owl from an ancient coin struck in Athens. He also had an owl on his store card.

(TEC News-Vol 2-2) According to the records, Dottie Dow was already selling 250 serial numbered, limited issue of the owl and some were issued on silver dimes by request. The Elongated membership coin card was a separate issue, suggested, made and donated by Ralph Jobe. The TEC members name was engraved on the reverse side free by Dottie Dow. Dottie handled the owl elongate herself to avoid club involvement which was time consuming board action to issue and finance.

(TEC News Vol 2-3) Dottie suggested that a vote, if members want the owl as TEC official emblem. She also suggested that the word member be placed above owl's head, so that it can be used as a membership card.

(TEC News-Vol 2-5) Lee Martin, then Chairman of the Election Committee, received 99 ballots out of 205 ballots sent out. He announced that 98 of the 99 votes approved the TEC Owl as the official TEC emblem.

Results of Election were;

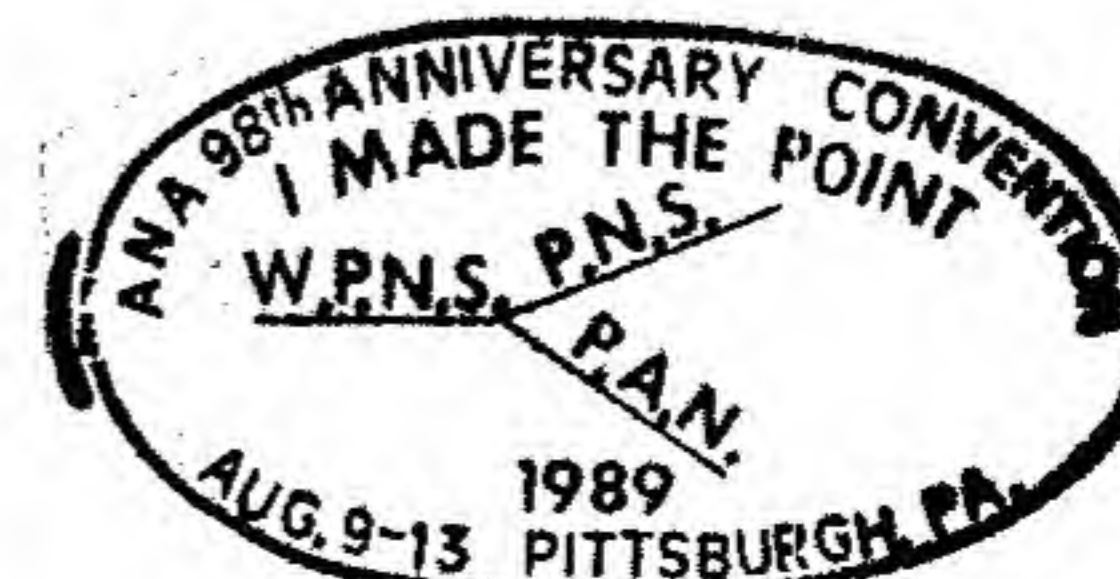
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| 1967-69 Pres. Dottie Dow | Vice Pres. Lloyd E. Wagaman |
| Sec. Treas. Alice Moon | Board Members Gust Pappas Joe Lessner |

The 1st TEC Convention Badge (Miami, Florida) was made without Owl by Lloyd E. Wagaman. There were 271 TEC Badges made with red ribbon on Canadian Quarters because they were silver.

The 2nd badge with green ribbon was the 1st badge with the owl and 214 with green ribbon were made. These sold for \$2.00 or \$2.30 by mail. The 2nd Convention took place at San Diego, California.

I hope that I have provided the information requested. Any corrections additions, comments, etc. write SASE to John G. Spadone, 4872 N.W. 171 Ter., Miami, Florida 33055. It would be nice to receive a letter from one of the first 12 members, or 116 charter members or 250 members that bought the 1st TEC Owl elongated coin.

Shown Below are Some of the Elongated Coins Made for This Years ANA TEC Badge



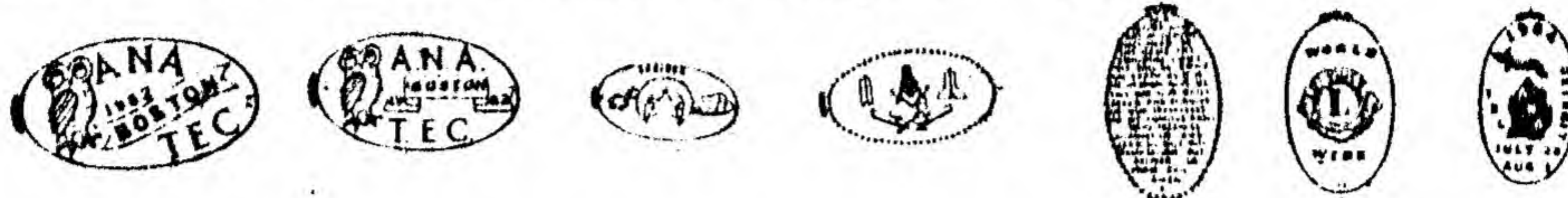
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Minature ELongated Coins FOR SALE: Boston ANA 1982, Boston ANA 1982, Shriner, Masonic, Lords Prayer, Lions, ANA Detroit 1984, As Pictured below. Less than 100 of each rolled. All 7 Available at .50¢ ea. or 5 for \$2.00 and SASE, Ed Filipkowski, P.O. Box 12582, Lake Park, Fl. 33403



Paul Miller, ANA Region 12 Coordinator has had an Elongated Cent rolled to commemorate the ANA 98th anniversary Convention, and to acknowledge the ANA's Representative Program. The Cents were rolled by Frank Brazzell. The Elongates are offered FREE, (Or Swap if you have one to offer) by sending a SASE to Paul Miller, 12 W. 44th St. Sand Springs, OK. 74063



T.E.C. Members: Worlds Largest Coin Fixed Price Listing Sale, is almost ready for Release. Price currently unknown, but will be printed and sent only to those who express an interest by sending a Postcard with a Clear Name and Address, to "Doug" Fairbanks, Sr. 5937 Beadle Road, Jamesville, N.Y. 13078

Contents consist of Elongated Coins, ie Moderns, Oldies, Unlisted, Wood-money Rounds and Flats, PNC"s and FDC"s plus a little Misc. Much material has been added to sales stock since release of the Pink Cover sales listing now null and void.

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SEGOVIA MINT PROJECT

by Angelo A. Rosato

In a recent article in COIN WORLD (May 17, 1989, page 3) it annotated that the Segovia Mint restoration project was "on track" and any contribution made would be tax deductible.

In an article appearing in the last TEC NEWS (Vol. XXIV #2, page 11) a brief review was articulated on rolling dies for coins by the Segovia Mint. It indicated how steel rolling dies were employed in the fabrication of some early Spanish coins.

It appears that an "agreement" has been made between the "Project Segovia '92" and the United States Committee of International Council on Monuments and Sites. It has been stated that all contributions to help in connection with the ANA's participation in the restoration project will be tax deductible.

According to COIN WORLD'S article, "Contributors toward American participation in the project will receive a one-year membership in the "Friends of the Segovia Mint," plus a periodic newsletter, for a minimum \$25 donation: with \$100 or more, a 156 page book "Segovia - Heritage of Mankind." A medal struck by the Mint's ancient rolling method will be meted out for larger contributions.

Contributions may now be sent directly to Glenn S. Murray, - US/ICOMOS - Segovia Fund, Apartado 315, 40080 Segovia. Spain. Checks payable to US/ICOMOS - Segovia Fund.

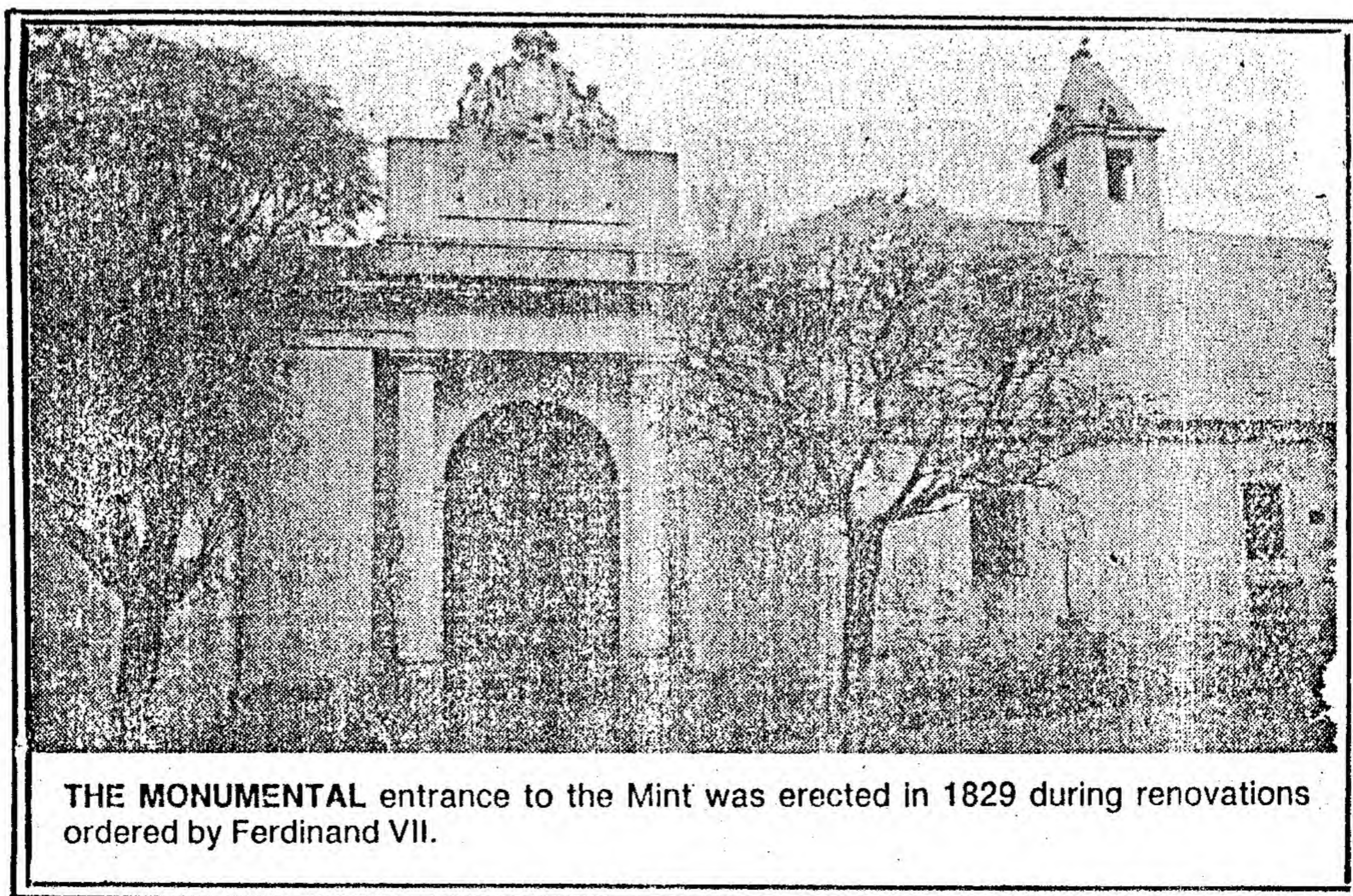


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MAN'S BEST FRIEND

by Angelo A. Rosato



It should be obvious to us all that oil and water do not mix; more so to the marine environment.

To those who love and have concern for all forms of animal life, it was especially painful for what happened in Prince William Sound due to the recent Exxon Valdez oil spill. And even though there is a continuing struggle saving some,

many thousands of animals won't make it; which includes 47 species of birds and 14 species of marine mammals.

Although it was a tragic accident (perhaps preventable), we can't undo what has happened at Prince William Sound. Hundreds of animal support groups are doing everything humanly possible in the cleanup and to protect the wildlife that is still alive and to help the ecosystem recover as quickly as possible.

While the oil spill has been a catastrophic blunder and perhaps should have been anticipated, it was unpremeditated. Mishaps are unfortunate when they occur. However, every day thousands of pounds of plastics are deliberately dumped without thought into the sea. And on land each year, more than 30 million other types of animals die through cruel and painful deaths... these are needless deaths and they should be stopped!

Environmental tragedies are exacting a huge toll on ocean and bird life. Animal abuse and neglect continues at an alarming rate with tortures of leghold traps, clubbing of fur seals, and the horrors of experimentations on animals in "research" laboratories. And beside the "test tube" pets and the animal "slave trade," there are dogs fighting

to the death for the benefit of gamblers; baby calves starved to provide milk-fed veal for the gourmet, and the drowning of porpoises in the nets of tuna fishermen: these are but a few examples of the cruel activities to animals.

The affectionate nature of the sea lion... the grace of the spinner porpoise, and the respect, awareness and intelligence of "companion" animals is a unique phenomenon. Pet ownership is at an all-time high. Over 52 million households include a companion animal - in most instances, more than one.

The powerful, natural bond between people and dogs (as well as cats, birds etc.) has indeed demonstrated the depth and complexity of interaction. Recent study has shown the significant health benefits to the elderly - and the young - both physical and mental. And to those of us who are familiar with animals, there is nothing mysterious about them. They offer us total acceptance, unconditional love, forgiveness and they are loyal, trusting and consistent in their dealings.

Having shared my home with a labrador-mix for 12 years, this writer has had the full understanding that pets are emotional beings too. With joy, fear, jealousy and anger, they play an important part in our daily lives. - Dissolved in grief over the loss of "Jingles," the non-presence of her in my home for six months lacked the psychological needs... to feel wanted, needed and loved. - Good news, however, the void has been partially filled with a new puppy a few weeks ago!

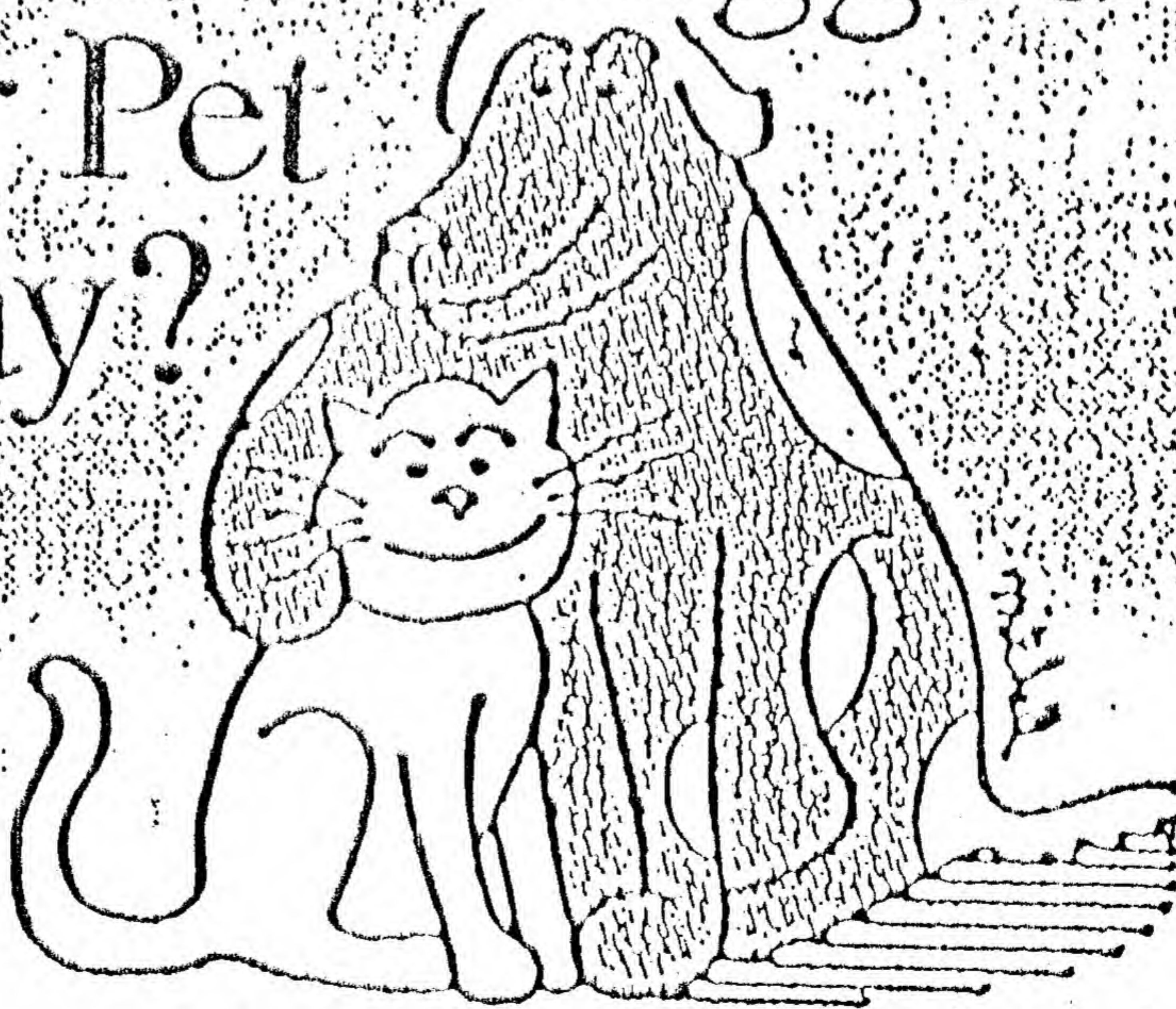
Having been involved over the years in a more personal way, I have contributed and supported more than a dozen animal-control facilities, shelters and animal care programs. As a consideration, I am in the hope that TEC members will get involved also! We all must work harder as to how we treat our own animal companions and how society treat the animals "out there."

In August 1967, more than twenty years ago and long before "Jingles" came into my life, I designed, engraved and produced a rolling die for an elongated coin requesting to "Please Be Kinds To Animals." (see photo) Since all of my original productions were limited

editions, only 155 were made from this special issue and the die has long since been closed. About 30 pieces remain in a long abandoned inventory. Some of these have been auctioned for as high as \$10. None were made available to collectors since 1974!

Asking for your help... here is the deal: Send \$3 plus \$1 for post and packing and you will receive one of the rare "Man's Best Friend" elongated along with 5 more surprise elongateds as a free bonus! The entire \$3 will be donated to the "Humane Society of the United States." The names of all contributors will be sent in to the Society and the names will also be posted in the next TEC Newsletter. - Send for your deal to A. A. Rosato 70 Grove Street, New Milford, Conn. 06776. NOTE: If you do not wish the elongateds, you may send your check directly to the Humane Society of the United States, 2100 L Street NW, Washington, DC 20037 -

Have You Hugged
Your Pet
Today?





NEWSLETTER # 5

MAY 1989

A GIFT OF LIFE

What is this life I live each day?
 To struggle to live in my own way.

Why is it so difficult for the world to see,
 Life is confusion, if I can't be me.

Each soul has a role to play in this life,
 Compassion alone, could end our strife.

Does the moon feel the sun should light up the night?
 Wings weighted down cannot take flight.

The artist gives dreams a reality,
 A laborer works for the world "to see".

Each playing a part that adds to the whole,
 Tied together by "love" embracing the soul.

If I, to the world had just one gift to give ---
 It would be the knowledge, "tis my life to live".

by
 Barbara Pilkington

"AN ELONGATED FAMILY"

DON WILKINSON
 TEC 1079

Gradually all five of our children (ages 30-37) are having elongated coins done. Jim did I-27; Linda did GRIT; Bob has done two! both AMOCO; and Dawn Ann did one for her metaphysical store, NEW VISION.

Dawn Ann is using the elongated coin artwork for the masthead of the store's monthly newsletter. (Partly reproduced above.)

Our youngest daughter Karen Bell has finally decided to do her coin, an announcement of her second baby's birth! I worked out the artwork in accordance with her guidance, and Frank Brazzell did another outstanding engraving job! This rounds out our elongated coin family.

Oklahoma



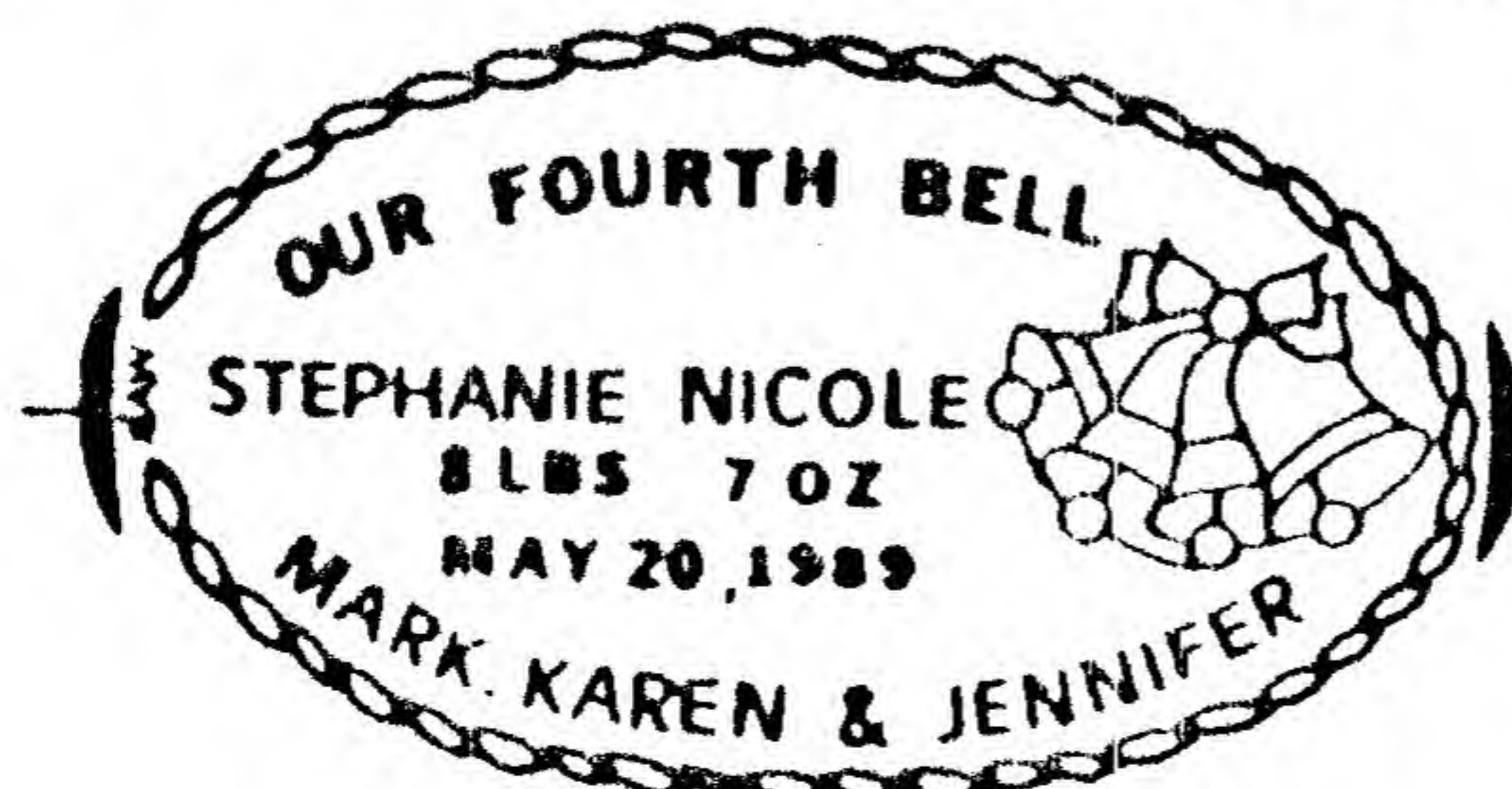
Amoco rolls out elongates

More than 6,000 Amoco centennial celebration elongated cents are to be given away at the company's festivities set for June 17 at the Expo Square in Tulsa.

According to Don Wilkinson of Matarie, La., Amoco officials became interested in producing the special elongate after his son, an Amoco employee, produced one for distribution at one of the firm's accounting offices. Amoco subsequently ordered 6,000 of the elongates, which were rolled by Frank Brazzell of Terre Haute, Ind.

Wilkinson said company officials have invited him to be on hand for the celebration, where he will roll and distribute free elongates from a special booth.

According to the Amoco newsletter the *Tulsa Torch*, approximately 6,000 Amoco employees, friends and relatives are expected to attend the carnival-like celebration, which will feature food concessions, 16 carnival rides, 20 carnival games and four live musical groups.



CATALOG OF CHET ROGERS COINS

I obtained the working stock of elongated coins from the estate of Chet Rogers, recent past president of THE ELONGATED COLLECTORS (TEC). Many hours have been spent identifying, sorting, organizing and taking inventory of Chet's coins. He published a blue cover catalog booklet of his coins issued up to the 1976 period and 12 reproduced pages of the 1976-1987 era. It seemed a natural evolution to tidy things up with a single complete catalog. His last coins were identified, plus a number of other unlisted CMR items including a series of miniatures. All coins have been assigned catalog numbers and make up new pages. Where possible the style and format of Chet's original catalog was maintained.

Chet did a lot of steel cents, nickels and clad coins, besides the pre-and-post 1982 cents. A number of dies were done in a series of 1, 5, 10, and 25 cent pieces. He also rolled on silver coins and on foreign coins, mainly Canadian and Yen and some on aluminum mules. He also did a considerable amount of gold and chrome plating of cents. In fact his personal collection includes all his coins in chrome. All in all, over 500 different or distinct varieties of elongated coins have been identified in which Chet has been directly involved. Chet Rogers was a most prolific and significant elongated coin collector, designer, die maker, roller and merchandiser!

The update of Chet's catalog includes, where available, fresh pictures of the coins. Where no pictures were available, sketches of the coins were made to aid in identification. Several explanatory notes are included. Hopefully, this effort will provide a useful reference in collecting Chet's work, and serve as a memorial to the man and the hobby he loved.

I was helped by a number of good folks, of course Gin, my wife and helpmate, Frank Brazzell, Ray Dillard, Doug Fairbanks, Bert Samsa and Joe Burford. I want to thank them for their support and assistance along with a very special thanks to Nona Rogers who entrusted me with Chet's personal collection for final edit check.

A printing of 150 copies is planned. If you have suggestions, changes, corrections or additions, please let me know of them anytime. New information will be published in the TEC News and if a second printing of the catalog is warranted the update information will be included. If you would like a copy of this catalog, I will be happy to promptly mail you one for \$3.50 postpaid. (5700 Flagler Street, Metairie, LA 70003)

ELONGATED CENTS FOR SALE; New Vision, Fremont, Calif.; Samuelson Family Reunion, Austin, Texas; The Big Easy, New Orleans; I Love Louisiana; Our Fourth Bell; Lord's Prayer (Specify Catholic or Protestant version); My Lucky Penny. .50 cents each (or 5 for \$2.00) and a 25 cent stamp. Chet Rogers Methodist Circuit Rider. (Destroyed die), gold plated \$2.00, chrome plated (holed), \$1.00, Copper US Cent. \$1.00 each and 25 cent stamp. Don A. Wilkinson, 5700 Flagler Street, Metairie, LA 70003.

DESIGNING YOUR OWN ELONGATED COIN

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I have learned during the time that I have been into elongated coins that I get a tremendous feeling of satisfaction in conceiving an idea for a coin and working out the details of the design. When the completed coin arrives, what a great thing of beauty, joy and pride of accomplishment! As a collector, I believe you are somewhat unfulfilled until you do your own coin.

I'd like to outline a few things to consider in doing a coin:

- Do a coin on an event or activity that you know something about. If you don't, research the activity so the theme, logo design, slogans or sayings, are authentic and recognizable as being relevant to the event or activity.
- Keep the design simple and uncluttered as possible; this is going to be your biggest problem. Simple single line drawings are best, like those in a child's coloring book.
- Unless the event is strictly a one time affair, make the coin design as generic as possible and dateless. If it is to be date specific, i.e. a one time date sensitive event, then, of course, include the date. Remember, you can have the year date on the reverse of the elongated coin used.
- Send a pencil sketch of what you desire to the die maker who will advise you on layout, set-up, so forth. Usually the die maker will complete the design and send you the proposed artwork for approval before rolling. I will work out a design layout for you for a small charge.
- You can save the artwork cost by completing the design yourself. Use stick on letters which can be purchased in a business supply house. Letters of 42 pt, 36 pt or 30 pt show the best. The die maker can provide a blank oval layout on 8x11 paper with a variety of borders for you to design on. Glue stick, scotch tape, white-out, scissors and clear sharp reproductions are essential to producing good camera ready copy. Be creative!
- It costs approximately \$80.00 to get an elongated coin die cut and up to 250 penny coins rolled. Additional coins are approximately \$15.00 per 100.
- The steel roll itself costs \$35 to \$40.00, if you desire to own the roll and die. If not the die maker retains possession of the steel roll and will use the other three spaces on the roll for other people's dies.
- Spray your coins immediately with clear acrylic to retain their bright metal appearance indefinitely. Make presentation cards using reduced size artwork and some inventive xeroxing on colored cover stock. These touches really set off your coin.
- Let others know of your accomplishment by doing an article for the TEC News and put in a free ad to sell or trade

(This is an update to an earlier version of the same topic)



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A VISIT HOME

Over the long Memorial Day weekend of May 25-30, I flew to Midway Airport, Chicago and took the Tri-State bus to Michigan City, Indiana to visit my 82 year old mother who lives on the family farm near La Porte.

Following the local tradition, Mother and I decorated the graves of family and relatives with flowers. To accomplish this task of love, we visited two rural cemeteries, those at Door Village and Pinhook. Fortunately, coincidently with our visit to the Pinhook Cemetery on Sunday, May 28, 1989, there was an Open House of the original church, hostessed by the two local ladies who provided the impetus to renovate and restore the old building.

What an experience to tour this simple, rural church! The two ladies dressed in period garb, explained over and over of their love and inspiration to motivate and inspire others to volunteer time, talent and treasure to this restoration project. The building and furnishings are simple, but totally beautiful and fascinating.

All the folks attending the Open House were provided with a souvenir copy of a write-up which briefly highlights the history of the church and renovation project. In the write-up it was explained the church was originally served by a Methodist Circuit Rider. This reminded me of the Chet Rogers elongated coin done in 1984 on the Methodist Circuit Rider. Upon returning from my visit, I sent copper, gold and chrome plated elongated cents of Chets coin to Mrs. Alt, one of the ladies, for inclusion in the Church Scrapbook, plus additional coins for the ladies own personal mementos.

The little white clapboard church standing beside the curve of what was once an Indian trail next to the Pinhook Cemetery is a testament to the faith of pioneers who came to northern Indiana so long ago.

Carpenters, McLung and Nelson Barnard, built the church from hand-hewn walnut logs in 1847 on land donated by Levi Garwood, who said, "I give this land for the purpose of a church. It shall be used forever and forever." Lester Loomis and his brother hauled stones used in the foundation.

The first sermon was preached in the new church by Rev. James Armstrong, who came during the Sauk Indian war and stayed to lead a flock headed by Jeremiah Sberwood.

At first the church was served by a Methodist circuit rider, later becoming a joint parish with Westville and Door Village. When the congregation could no longer afford to support a full-time pastor, the church was closed and in 1968 was deeded to the Pinhook Cemetery Association by the Methodist Conference.

In 1977, members of the Cemetery Association talked of destroying the church and using the land for additional burial plots. The pleas of a community-minded couple were accepted by the cemetery board and a stay was granted.

The church was dilapidated both

side and out. The roof leaked, the siding was dry and peeling, walls were cracked and stained, the floor was scuffed and dirty and the pews dark and dismal looking.

Today, the renovated church is once again clean and pure. Refinished pews and pulpit stand beside other refinished wooden furniture from another age on shiny sanded floors under sparkling white plastered walls and ceiling.

A piano donated by the Westville Masonic Lodge stands beside the raised altar area with carved railing. Local women have donated quilts, crisp white curtains and Dutch elm woodwork decorate the sanctuary.

The restored church is a labor of love for Julia Alt and Phyllis Marks, who with their husbands Vernon and Tom, have spearheaded the restoration efforts.

Community volunteers, LaPorte County Work Release prisoners, Westville Correctional Center inmates, local businesses and merchants and untold donors are on the list of those who gave help to restore the little church.

Donations toward the monthly electric bill are accepted at any time. An ongoing campaign for funds is led by the Alts and Marks. Persons interested in donating will receive information by writing: Julia Alt, 6801 W. CR-250S, LaPorte, IN 46350.

Pinhook Methodist Church

Renovation Celebration

1847-1989

